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SIR:

Applicants hereby appeal the Examiner's decision made in the Final Office Action dated November 14, 2008, finally rejecting claims 9-14, 17 and 18. Applicants request a one-month extension of time, so that the three-month response period is extended from February 14, 2009 to March 14, 2009.

The \$670.00 fee (the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) extension fee of \$130.00 and the 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1) Notice of Appeal fee of \$540.00) is being paid by credit card.

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